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Via email

**RE: U.S. EPA Approval of Scope of Work for Five-Year Review Groundwater Activities;
NL/ Taracorp National Priorities List Superfund Site, Granite City, Illinois (the Site)**

Dear Mr. Leed:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has reviewed the above-referenced Scope of Work as part of their required oversight role of the on-going operations and maintenance (O&M) activities. Those O&M activities are being performed by the NL/Taracorp Remedial Design/Remedial Action Site Group (Site Group). The Scope of Work (SOW) was prepared and submitted by Leed Environmental, Inc. on behalf of the Site Group for the last Five-Year Review (4th FYR) which was completed in March 2014 and was approved by U.S. EPA at that time. The approved SOW was resubmitted to U.S. EPA on July 24, 2018 for the upcoming 5th FYR.

Based on review of the submission, U.S. EPA hereby approves the July 2018 SOW for the groundwater activities at the Site for the 5th FYR. Should you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact me at (312) 886-4745 or at bianchin.sheri@epa.gov.

Sincerely,



Sheri L. Bianchin
Remedial Project Manager

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